

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

The specification as amended below with replacement paragraphs shows added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~strikethrough~~.

[0049] Furthermore, when the paper guide part 143 is rotated beyond the paper passing position by the lever 146, that is, to the paper jam removing position, which is illustrated by the dotted line in FIG. ~~3e5c~~, the elastic spring 145 applies an elastic restoring force to the paper guide part 143.

Therefore, when the external force is removed from the lever 146 after the paper jam is removed, the paper guide part 143 is restored to the paper passing position by the elastic restoring part 145, and then to the initial position by the restoring inertial force and the weight thereof.